



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q58496

Shintaro ICHIHARA

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Examiner: Tuan V. Ho

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 8, 2005, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages. A petition for a one month extension of time is being filed herewith, making this response due on or before January 9, 2006 (January 8th being a Sunday).

REMARKS

Claims 1-5, 7-9, and 13-23 are all the claims pending in the application.

1. Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-3, 5, 7-9, 13-17 and 19-23 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Safai *et al.* (US 6,167,469) ["Safai"]. For at least the following reasons, Applicant traverses the rejection.